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Box No VI PRIORITY CLAIMS

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## Box No VIII CHECK LIST; LANGUAGE OF FILING

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description (excluding  
sequence listing part): 28  
claims : 3  
abstract : 1  
drawings: 8  
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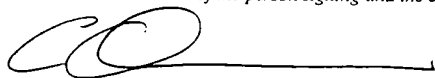
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**PATENTS**

Dear Sir

**Statement Explaining Lack of Signature**  
**Aristocrat Leisure Industries Pty Ltd, Anthony Wayne Bond, Ronald Edward Mach**  
**International Patent Application**  
**Entitled: "Input output interface and device abstraction"**

With respect to the above new application, we advise that we cannot file a Powers of Attorney on behalf of the applicant/inventors Anthony Wayne Bond and Ronald Edward Mach.

Messrs Bond and Mach were the applicant/inventors named in the priority application which was filed in USA as US Provisional Application Serial No. 60/094068, on 24 July 1998.

Although our US associates have attempted to make contact, Messrs Bond and Mach have been unavailable for signature since Aristocrat Leisure Industries Pty Ltd acquired the rights in the invention.

Yours respectfully  
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